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In response to the Office Action dated December 23, 2005, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on March 23, 2006, Applicants file the following Amendment and Request for Continued Examination with the attached Petition for a One Month Extension of Time. Applicants thank Examiner Johnson for his time on March 9, 2006, and respectfully request allowance of the amended and added claims based on that discussion and the following Amendment.

A Listing of the Pending Claims begins on page 2 of this paper.**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.

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